

Construct 3W-5 Waiting Room

Project number 438-12-150

Site Visit

March 1, 2012

Questions and Answers:

1. Is there an anticipated start date?
 - a. As of the date of site visit, there is not an anticipated start date.
2. Are there restricted times for working hours?
 - a. Some night hours will be required, such as for plumbing. Daytime hours will be 7:00 am – 4:30 pm.
3. Will the project be coordinated with the Kitchen Ceiling project?
 - a. No.
4. Can the HVAC portion be done by the plumber?
 - a. Contractor to determine methods of construction. However, plumbing work will have to be shown and rates paid as per Davis Bacon rates.
5. What elevators are available to be used by the contractor, and at what times are they available? Can the stair wells be used?
 - a. Stairwells cannot be blocked. Elevators to be used to haul large items either before 8 am or after 4 pm. Patient use will always be the priority.
6. What are typical patient hours?
 - a. Typical patient hours are Monday through Friday 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM
7. Are dumpsters and storage spaces available?
 - a. Areas are very limited. The contractor is responsible for leaving the site in the condition in which it was prior to use. There will be staging area available in the SW corner of the VA site, approximately at 26th and Garfield, however snow removal will be contractor's responsibility.
8. Contractors must park off-site, but are allowed on-site for loading purposes.
9. Who will be responsible for the finishes?
 - a. Contractor's responsibility as shown in plans and specs.
10. IT will be responsible for moving computers.
11. Please clarify the temporary wall requirements.
 - a. There must be a 3.5 feet minimum left in the corridor. Although methods will not be specified, the possibility to use the existing corridor as a barrier exists. The VAV work would then have to occur outside of normal working hours, with plastic to be used during the off hours and cleanup prior to normal working beginning again. This option would keep the existing sprinklers available for the entire corridor.
 - b. The north side of the corridor will still be occupied.
 - c. Needs a one hour wall and is to be completely sealed.
12. Please clarify the ceiling partition as well as the temporary sprinklers that will be required.
 - a. See notes under item 11a.
13. Please clarify the window and brick to be salvaged.
 - a. Both will be required by the VA to be salvaged.

14. Is there asbestos and lead-based paint present in the project area?
 - a. The area has been abated of asbestos to the best knowledge of the VA; however, if the contractor comes upon asbestos while working on the project, the contractor must let the project engineer know of the conditions immediately.
 - b. There is no known lead-based paint in the area to the best knowledge of the VA; however, if the contractor comes upon lead-based paint while working on the project, the contractor must let the project engineer know of the conditions immediately.
15. Who will be responsible to refurbish the terrazzo? Or, how will this be replaced?
 - a. The terrazzo will be replaced with one solid color concrete to be selected by the VA to complement the existing terrazzo profile.
16. What are the types of existing and new floor coverings?
 - a. The existing floor cover in the hallway is a laminate or vinyl wood-looking cover.
 - b. The new flooring will be as specified in the plans and specifications.
17. Will the new door to the roof have stairs?
 - a. No.
18. What are the air quality requirements?
 - a. The contractor must use a HEPA filter with negative pressure out a window.
19. Would it be possible to have a dump truck back up in the alley-way by the warehouse dock to throw demolished materials off the roof into?
 - a. No. Not only is this a heavily used area, but the roof over the dock is a structure that is not easily repaired.